

VILLAGE OF RADIUM HOT SPRINGS

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES FROM OCTOBER 28TH, 2020.

PRESENT: Mayor Clara Reinhardt, Councillors McCauley, Shudra, and Logan, Councillor Gray (via zoom), Wally Hann, Chris Dunn, Stan Perry, Karen Sharp, Dave Dixon, Jill Logan, Camille Aubin and Mark Read.

1. ORDER: Mayor Reinhardt brought the meeting to order at 7:29 p.m.

2. ADDITIONS TO AGENDA:

Resolved, that we add delegate Wally Hann to the agenda to discuss wild turkey issues.
(Moved by Councillor Logan) Carried.

3. MINUTES:

Resolved, that we approve the Council meeting minutes from October 14th, 2020, as circulated.
(Moved by Councillor Gray) Carried.

4. DELEGATIONS:

Wally Hann provided an overview of the roosting wild turkey issues that he has been dealing with, primarily the volume of excrement that accumulates on his property and buildings. Wally asked if the Village can assist with the problem.

Mayor Reinhardt advised that, although the Province has not accepted responsibility for the animals because they are considered an invasive species, the Province will not allow translocation of the birds to other areas. Clara provided an overview of our community survey results, and noted that an advisory committee was formed to provide recommendations. After review and consideration, the committee identified that a cull was the only remaining option available to control the population. The committee was unwilling to recommend a cull.

5. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Mayor Reinhardt noted her involvement in an initiative to renew the Visitor Information Centre. Councillor Gray provided a library services update.

6. BYLAWS:

Resolved, that we reconsider and adopt Tax Exemption (Church Properties) Bylaw No. 461, 2020.
(Moved by Councillor McCauley) Carried. (Councillor Gray opposed).

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7. MISCELLANEOUS CORRESPONDENCE & REPORTS:

Fire Chief Dave Dixon provided the 2020 department activity report and responded to questions.

Resolved, that we partner with the RDEK, which will be the primary applicant, to apply for, receive and manage the Community Emergency Preparedness Fund Evacuation Route Planning Grant, on behalf of the Village of Radium Hot Springs, in the amount of \$25,000.
(Moved by Councillor McCauley)

8. NEW BUSINESS:

Council confirmed that they have no objection to the Provincial Health Officer's request for use of Village facilities, as required, for covid 19 support services.

Resolved, that we cancel the 2020 Village New Year's Eve 'birthday party' event.
(Moved by Councillor Logan) Carried.

9. SUNDRY MATTERS & QUESTIONS:

Mayor Reinhardt noted that the new Sinclair Canyon interpretive displays have been installed. The Village has assumed ownership of the display erected upon our "Mountains shall bring Peace" parkland.

10. ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 8:07 p.m.

HEREBY CERTIFIED CORRECT:



Mayor Clara Reinhardt



Clerk Mark Read